

Ponderosa News



2013 PHCA Board

Needed: Webmaster for Ponderosa Hills Web site.

Needed: Residents willing to serve on the PHCA Board.

Needed: Volunteers to judge the Holiday mailbox decorating.

The 2013 PHCA Board looks like a skinny version of the 2012 Board. That is because the 2013 Board is made up of 5 members of the 2012 Board and no new members.

Greg Waltz, Joel Lambe, Cathy Lichty, Guy Geerds, and Norm Scheffel

The existing PHCA Board is able to appoint members to the board if there are residents who would be willing to serve.

Need exists for specific skills and interests to serve on the board or in a committee chair position, specifically the board needs a web master and someone to take the lead on monitoring the Rocking Horse development and its impact on roads.

If you are interested in serving please contact the President @ Ponderosa Hills.com.

There are no contentious issues on the horizon. It is a good time to serve.

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Holiday Mailbox
Decorating Contest

The third annual Holiday mailbox decorating contest will allow you to decorate your mailbox to reflect the spirit of the holiday season.

Judging will be done by volunteers, so please volunteer to judge. Board members are not eligible to win.

Have your decorations out by Saturday, December 15.



Treasurer's Report 2012

As promised earlier in the year, monies spent on the Water Adjudication of the roads and open space areas has been transferred from the CD to the operating budget. This transfer provides a much needed boost to the depleted PHCA account.

Transfer to Operating Budget \$3,320.27

Remaining funds in CD \$22421.04

Committee Reports

Rocking Horse Development Update



The Rocking Horse Subdivision is moving forward with new dirt work. This work is occurring east of Woodland Trail and adjoins Inspiration Drive. There are set-backs for the new lots, from Inspiration Drive as provided for in their plan, and the dirt work is just starting. So for those of you who do not routinely drive east on Inspiration Drive, you will see new work being done on the north side of the road.



Oil Update

The PHCA wanted to give an oil update for both Ponderosa Hills and surrounding area.

PHCA board member Joe Lambe has net-worked with L.A.N.D. and neighbors in both Ponderosa Hills and the surrounding area. At this time we have not been able to find any activity occurring in northeast Douglas County.

Elbert County has seen some inquiries by a Geophysical Company called Geo-Kinetics, seeking access for initial geophysical surveys. Geo-Kinetics is a geophysical company which does surveys of the geological strata below us. They then sell the information to Oil



their use and this information is not typically available. This geophysical information is used to predict, aspects which may or may not be in the strata. So at this time, all is quiet on the western front, as near as we can tell. We will continue to keep our finger to the pulse of any activity in the area and report it to you as we find it.

Architecture Committee

Clarification there is no longer an Architectural Committee in Ponderosa Hills. No method of evolving this committee from the original members to new members was provided in the by-laws and as a result there is no Architectural Committee. Douglas County building guidelines and the Ponderosa Hills covenants apply. The PHCA Board has suggested in the past that residents looking to build spend some time looking around the neighborhood to get a feel for what building styles will align with the look and feel of our community.

Good Neighbor Committee

Recently a fire started accidentally in a vacant lot on Lost Canyon. The continuing dry conditions combined with the forest and grassland in Ponderosa Hills require that we all stay vigilant about fire prevention.

In the incident above 911 was not immediately called. Though the fire was small initially, the potential for disaster existed. Luckily a passer-by called 911 and the fire department responded in a matter of minutes. An hour later high winds picked up which if they had arrived earlier, could have easily carried the fire into the trees and made Ponderosa Hills national news that evening.

Everyone please realize that we are an unchecked fire away from a major conflagration. If you see any kind of fire call 911 immediately. We are not advising anyone to risk their safety to fight a fire but a minor grass fire can be stamped out with shovels before it reaches major fuels. We all have a responsibility to protect

Membership Reminder

Now accepting 2013 membership dues
\$30 for all members

How to pay

Mail this letter and your check to PHCA, P. O. Box 2127, Parker, CO 80134
or, Pay dues at our Paypal account on the web: <http://ponderosahills.org/join/>

Please provide the following information with your dues payment.



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I would like to volunteer on the following committees:

- Social Events
- Road Maintenance
- Government Relations

- Open Space

- Horses
- Covenants/ByLaws

I would like to be a board member.

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